Long Condemns Chicago 'Scum'

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Sens. Stephen M. Young, D-Ohio, and Russell B. Long, D-La., clashed in the Senate Thursday with sharply differing versions of disorders at the Democratic National Convention at Chicago.

Young declared that police brutality and misjudgments by Mayor Richard J. Daley were responsible for much of turmoil which he said marred the convention.

Long said "Communist stinkoes, traitors and no-accounts" caused the trouble.

The veteran Ohio senator began the exchange.

"In my view, the police brutality in Chicago was shameful and revolting to all Americans, not only to those who watched what was taking place on the television screen but also to those of us who were delegates at the convention and observed what took place in the public parks and on the sidewalks," Young said.

Long sought to interrupt but Young refused to permit any interpolations. As soon as he finished, Long took the floor and shouted:

"I am now going to speak for America and not for the Communist scum of this country.

"If the senator wants to speak for them, he can do so. But I am proud to be an American and speak for my country."

Long said he had seen demonstrators at Chicago waving the Viet Cong flag and shouting for Ho Chi Minh. He declared that such persons deserved to be clubbed or even shot.

"Whenever I saw a policeman at Chicago," he said, "I thanked him as an honorable and brave man for letting us hold our convention there. I admire Mayor Daley for the stand he took."

The Louisiana Senator said that "if the convention had nominated the candidate of that Communist scum, I would have resigned as Democratic Senate whip and as chairman of the Finance Committee. I would have wanted no part of a party which would do such a thing."

Long did not name anyone in this connection.

Young said, "no one questions that law and order must be maintained. The difference is there can be no real law and order unless it is coupled with justice. Adolf Hitler in a way can be said to have enforced law and order."

The Ohioan said that "if Mayor Daley had exercised ordinary prudence, common sense and respected existing legal procedures, in all likelihood there would have been no violence and misuse of police power."

Instead, he said, Daley "forced the issue by turning Chicago into an armed camp."

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